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Title: Acoustic Musical Instrument of the Violin

Family With Piezo-Electric Pickup

DECISION ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.378(c), filed June 10, 2008 to accept the unintentionally delayed payment of a maintenance fee for the above-identified patent.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

This patent expired on January 26, 2008 for failure to pay the seven and one-half year maintenance fee. Since this petition was submitted within twenty-four months after the sixmonth grace period provided in 37 CFR 1.362(e), the petition was timely filed under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.378(c).

The maintenance fee is hereby accepted and the above-identified patent is reinstated as of the mail date of this decision.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Joan Olszewski at (571) 272-7751.

The patent file is being forwarded to Files Repository.

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